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Controller Chiang Publishes New Pay Figures For Special Districts

SACRAMENTO – State Controller John Chiang has updated his <u>website</u> showing the salary, pension benefits and other compensation for 531 special districts in calendar year 2010, with wages totaling more than \$510,831,263.

Today's update completes the posting of payroll for California's 2,379 special districts. This latest batch of payroll data includes library, mosquito abatement, conservation, air quality and airport agencies. Other districts -- including public safety, community service and transportation -- were added earlier this year.

The site was originally created by Controller Chiang in late 2010, after he ordered local governments to provide salary and other wage information for their employees to his office. The Controller has already collected and posted wage information from 2009 and 2010 for more than 600,000 city and county employees. In addition, the site includes wage data for State civil service and California State University employees.

For today's posting, 35 districts did not file in time, or filed incomplete records.

The website covers elected officials as well as public employees. It includes the following information for each position:

- Minimum and maximum salary ranges;
- Actual wages paid;
- The applicable retirement formula;
- Any contributions by the employer to the employee's share of pension costs;
- Any contributions by the employer to the employee's deferred compensation plan;
 and
- Any employer payments for the employee's health, vision and dental premium benefits.

A list of agencies that failed to file payroll records with the State can also be <u>found on the Controller's website</u>. Each non-complying agency could face a penalty of \$5,000. The Controller's Office will continue to review and post the relevant data from these local governments as it is reported to the State.

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